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## **OCTOBER EVENTS AT THE NASA VISITOR CENTER**

### **Saturday, October 2: "Model Rocket Launch"**

Model rocket launches will be held at 1 p.m. on the Visitor Center grounds. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

### **Friday & Saturday, October 9 & 10: "Animal Tracks"**

Visit the Animal Tracks display in the Herbert H. Bateman Education Center, Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge.

Learn how and why animals such as birds and sea turtles are tracked from space.

### **Saturday, October 16: "Kite Flight"**

This program teaches kids about different kite designs and provides an opportunity for them to construct and fly their own kites. The program begins at 1 p.m. and will last 45 minutes.

### **Saturday, October 23: "Hurricane! "**

NASA has developed satellites and ground programs that study and monitor hurricanes. Find out how these tropical twisters work during this 30 minute program. Also, we will track the powerful storms of the 2004 season.

### **Saturday, October 30: "Animal Tracks"**

Learn how and why animals such as birds and sea turtles are tracked from space. After the presentation, we will try to track a hidden item on the Visitor Center's grounds. The program will last 40 minutes.

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"Puppets in Space"

"Puppets in Space", a 10-minute puppet show, will be presented at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight, including the space suit. An eight-minute version of the film "Astrosmites" follows the puppet show.

Daily: "Space Ace"

Children ages 5-10 years can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph during their Visitor Center experience by completing an activity sheet.

Sundays: "Humans in Space"

"Humans in Space" is the subject of a 1 p.m. program for children of all ages. The 30-minute program looks at living and working in space, including a review of the astronauts' culinary delights and their wardrobe.

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, VA. Admission to Visitor Center programs is free. For further information, please call (757) 824-2298.

For information about the Visitor Center on the Internet, visit

<http://www.wff.nasa.gov/vc>